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Re: Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act

It has come to the attention of this Division that you, or a company represented by you will be, or are, engaged in active mining on Polar Mesa

leases/claims located on the following locations: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ in Grand County, Utah .

As you are probably aware, the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act of 1975, requires a Notice of Intention to Commence Mining Operations, and a Mining and Reclamation Plan, including surety, to be filed with this Division for all mining projects over a certain size.

I would like your response relative to the mine(s) under your control or operation in one of the following ways, depending on the particulars of the mine(s):

- (1) Submit a "Declaration of Exemption" Form MR 4, if you feel the mine(s) qualifies for exempt status. A mine may be declared exempt if less than 2 acres in surface area is disturbed, or less than 500 tons of material is moved in 12 consecutive months.
- (2) Submit a "Notice of Intention to Commence Mining Operations" Form MR 1, and a "Mining and Reclamation Plan" Form MR 2, for the mine(s) or begin correspondence with this office which will lead to the preparation of said plans.
- (3) Declare that the mine(s) were active on May 14, 1975, and that operations will cease by July 1, 1977. In this case, no notice of intent or reclamation plan will need to be filed, providing the Division is notified by letter before July 10, 1977.
- (4) Declare that a Notice of Intention of Commence Mining Operations and a Mining and Reclamation Plan will be submitted by July 1, 1977, for the mining activity. Mines which were active on May 14, 1975, and will be active after July 1, 1977, fall into this category.